

January 11, 1996

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620 Longview Rd.
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GOLD COOPERAGE INC. (Dissolved)

Removal Action Branch
Emergency & Remedial Response Div.
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 11
2890 Woodbridge Ave.
Edison, NJ 08837

Dear Sir:

Today I received your letter dated December 22, 1995 which was sent to me by the present occupant of 401 South Street, Newark, NJ. It was a certified letter opened by someone.

Gold Cooperage Inc. was dissolved twelve - thirteen years ago and records were thrown away three years ago. I was Vice President of Gold Cooperage Inc. and to the best of my knowledge we did not sell or send any drums to Bayonne Barrel with any hazardous or solid material in the course of our normal business. As we did not deal with this material Gold Cooperage Inc. was a reconditioning plant and did its own work. I want to cooperate to the best of my ability.

I am presently recovering from a stroke which occurred on October 12, 1995, and am recuperating at my home. If you wish to contact me please call at my home number 201-762-1237.

Yours truly,



Milton Gold

cc: Marc Seidenberg, Esq.
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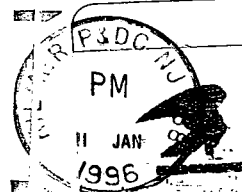


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